

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A communications device such as a mobile phone has a
main body communications circuit and a movable housing
element such as a touch sensitive slide or a flip-type
hinged structure. In one embodiment, the main body
communications circuit responds to a touch sensitive
slide signal, for providing a communications signal to a
communications system. The communications device
includes a main body or housing for containing the main
body communications circuit of the communications device,
as well as a speaker and display. The touch sensitive
slide responds to a contact force by a user, for
providing the touch sensitive slide signal containing
information about a position of the contact force applied
by the user on the touch sensitive slide. The touch
sensitive slide is slidably or hingeably mounted on the
main body, and may contain slide position sensing. In
this embodiment, the touch sensitive signal contains
information about the position of the touch sensitive
slide in relation to the housing. The touch sensitive
slide is adaptable for use as a mouse or a drawing table
together with the display of the communications device,
which enables for windows-based word and data processing
and graphical applications, as well as internet
25 applications.